

## **Outdoor Learning Opportunities:**

**Farmers Market** 

Standards: CA.DE.PS.3 M.OAT.PS.4 SED.SD.BRC.PS.6 & 11 SS.E.PS.2

## **Materials:**

- Table to be the market stand.
- Baskets, paper bags or other containers to gather the fruits and vegetables
- Assortment of fruits and vegetables (real if possible, or realistic plastic)
- Cash register with real or fake money

## Vocabulary:

- Farmer's Market
- Vegetables
- Fruit
- Purchase
- Money

Set up the dramatic play area as a farmer's market. Children can pretend to be a family that shops at the market or the family that has their vegetables and fruit for sale. The children can price the items. Children can gather fruits and vegetables to buy and then use the money to buy them.

Extension: Take field trip to a farmer's market.

Extension 2: Make vegetable soup (use *Stone Soup* book to introduce) where everyone brings a vegetable to contribute to the soup. Use pumpkin carving knives for the children to cut up the vegetables.

## **Guiding Questions:**

- Does your family shop at a Farmer's Market?
- What can you find at a Farmer's Market?
- What vegetable would you buy to add to the soup?